

# Biology Syllabus

SUMMER SCHOOL 2010

Mr. Wilson

**Course Description:** This lecture and laboratory-based course is aligned with the California academic content standards in science. The course will emphasize the basic structural, physiological, ecological, and genetic principles as they pertain to living organisms. This course should be taken by college bound students and meets the "D" requirement of the UC/CSU A-G course sequence - Lab Science.

**Teaching Methods:** This class will be taught using a variety of teaching methods including lectures, discussions, labs, computer simulations, demonstrations, and homework.

**Grading** (*These are approximate percentages*)

40% Tests and Quizzes

25% Lab Write-ups/Class Projects

15% Final Exam

20% Homework

**TEXT BOOK:** Biology by McDougal and Littell, Copyright © 2008

**DATES: Fall Course #3693:** June 28 -July 15th (11 days)    **Spring Course #3694:** July 19-August 4th (11 days)

**SCHEDULE:** Monday through Thursday (School sites closed on Fridays)

**HOURS:** 7:30 am – 1:15

**ROOM:** E07

**LOCATION:** San Juan Hills High School  
29211 Vista Montana  
San Juan Capistrano  
(949) 234-9727

## **ABSENCES:**

- In order to earn credit, students may not have more than 1 absence per 11 day semester.
- One absence equals 3 points.
- Students WILL BE DROPPED from the class on the second absence within 11 days.
- Students arriving to class after the first half hour, or students who miss more than one-half hour, will be marked absent.

## **TARDIES:**

- It is essential that students arrive to class on time daily.
- Each tardy equals 1 point. THREE tardies are equivalent to ONE ABSENCE (3 points).
- Students who return late from scheduled breaks will be considered tardy.

**IMPORTANT:** Students may not exceed a total of 5 accumulated points (any combination of absences or tardies). Students exceeding 5 points WILL BE DROPPED from the class on the sixth point. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE ATTENDANCE/TARDY POLICY.**

**Quizzes & Tests:** These will be given on almost a daily basis. Small quizzes will be given during and after each chapter, followed by a larger unit test after we complete each of the six units in this course. If you are absent from class, you will have one day to take the quiz or test. It is your responsibility to schedule and take your make-ups. On the completion of this course, a comprehensive final will be given

**Homework:** Homework will be assigned regularly. Points are received upon completion of homework on time. Most homework assignments are worth 10 points. Failure to turn in homework will receive a zero. It is your responsibility to make up any homework during an absence from class.

**Bring the following with you every day:**

**1. Notebook:** A 3 ring binder notebook is required for this class. This notebook must have 4 dividers (with plastic tabs). The dividers should be labeled and in the order as follows:

- Lecture Notes
- Homework
- Quiz
- Labs

**2. Pen/pencil:** Bring both.

**3. Ruler, paper, graph paper:** Keep these in your notebook. **GRAPH PAPER IS A MUST!**

**Class Rules:** (sorry to be negative, but every classroom has to have these)

- **BE RESPECTFUL AT ALL TIMES** (the remaining rules fall under this one)
  - **Be respectful at all times** – To fellow students, the teacher, and your classroom
  - **Be prepared for class** - paper, pens, notebook, and **homework completed**.
  - **Do not leave your seat** without permission.
  - **No food, gum, or drinks allowed in class** (bottled water is the exception)
  - **Copying homework is unacceptable.**
  - **No Ipod's or Cell Phones** will be in use during class. (They will be confiscated)
  - **Follow safety procedures** at all times.

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent Signature

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